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Act.2



THOSE MEMORIES
FROM LONG AGO
CAME BACK TO ME
LIKE VERTIGO.

THOSE
WORTHLESS
DAYS WHICH
MADE ME
WHO I AM
NOW.

THOSE WOMEN
WITH STRONG
PERFUME THAT
GUY KEPT
BRINGING
BACK.

THE
SMALL AND
DIMLY-LIT
ROOM.

I DIDN'T
FEEL A
LEAST BIT
ATTACHED
TO IT.

THOSE
NEVER
ENDING
NIGHTS.





I'VE ALWAYS
REMEMBERED
YOU...

CLOSED

YOU
AND YOUR
DISGUSTING
FACE!!



IGARASHI...



YOU'RE
STILL
ALIVE.

THAT
PACK OF
CIGARETTES...
SO IT WAS
YOUR DOING.

YOU DID A
GOOD JOB
HIDING FROM
THE RYUUSEI
CLAN. I'VE
UNDERESTI-
MATED YOU.

THAT'S RIGHT...
THAT WAS MY
GREETING TO
YOU. IT SURE
BRINGS BACK
MEMORIES,
DON'T YOU
THINK?

YOU GET IT,
DON'T YOU?
YOU'VE ALWAYS
BEEN SUCH
A SMART...

WHAT DO
YOU THINK
I'VE COME
BACK HERE
FOR?

HOW DARE
YOU TALK
TO ME WITH
SUCH
ATTITUDE.

HAHA.

...AND
CHEEKY
BRAT.

...



...TO TAKE
REVENGE
ON YOU
AND THE
RYUUSEI
CLAN.

I'VE
COME
BACK...



hah tremble tremble ha

DO YOU
HAVE ANY
IDEA WHAT
I WENT
THROUGH
AFTER
THAT?

JUST
REMEMBERING
THOSE DAYS
MAKES ME
FEEL
NAUSEOUS.



HAHA...
HAH.

PREPARE
YOURSELF.

WHAT?



YOU USED TO SPEND ALL YOUR TIME USING THAT PRETTY FACE OF YOURS TO SCREW OVER WOMEN.

THE FACT THAT YOU COULD SWITCH TO MEN NEVER CROSSED MY MIND.

THE FACT THAT YOU'RE CURRENTLY LIVING WITH A MAN. HE'S A YOUNG PRESIDENT, AM I RIGHT?

I KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT YOU.

MAKE SURE TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM. IF YOU DON'T HE'LL DIE, OKAY?



THAT GUY MUST HAVE BEEN AN EASIER TARGET.

I WAS SURPRISED WHEN I FIRST FOUND OUT.



!!

QUIT
FUCKING
AROUND...

YOU'RE
GONNA DRAG
A DECENT
INNOCENT
GUY INTO
THIS?

flash



Hahah!
see you
around!

MAKIO
HIJIRI!

?!







TO MAKE
THAT WISH
COME
TRUE,

WE NEED
TO ELIMINATE
THE RYUUSEI
CLAN, WHO'S
CURRENTLY
HOLDING THE
MOST POWER
HERE.

AND
YOU'LL
PLAY A
BIG PART
IN THIS
PLAN.



SO HE
CAME ALL
THE WAY
HERE FROM
OSAKA.

I GUESS THE
KAIJU CLAN
FINALLY
DECIDED TO
MAKE A MOVE
ON THE EAST
TURF.



MAKE SURE
TO PLAY YOUR
ROLE WELL,
OKAY?



IGARASHI'S
COME
BACK.





DID
IGARASHI

THREATEN THAT
HE'S GONNA
TARGET THAT
YOUNG MAN?

YEAH.



MORIE-
SAN, YOU
SHOULD
WATCH OUT,
TOO.

HE ALSO
SAID THAT
THE RYUUSEI
CLAN IS HIS
TARGET.

'CAUSE
THE
CURRENT
LEADER
RIGHT NOW
IS YOU.



Pat

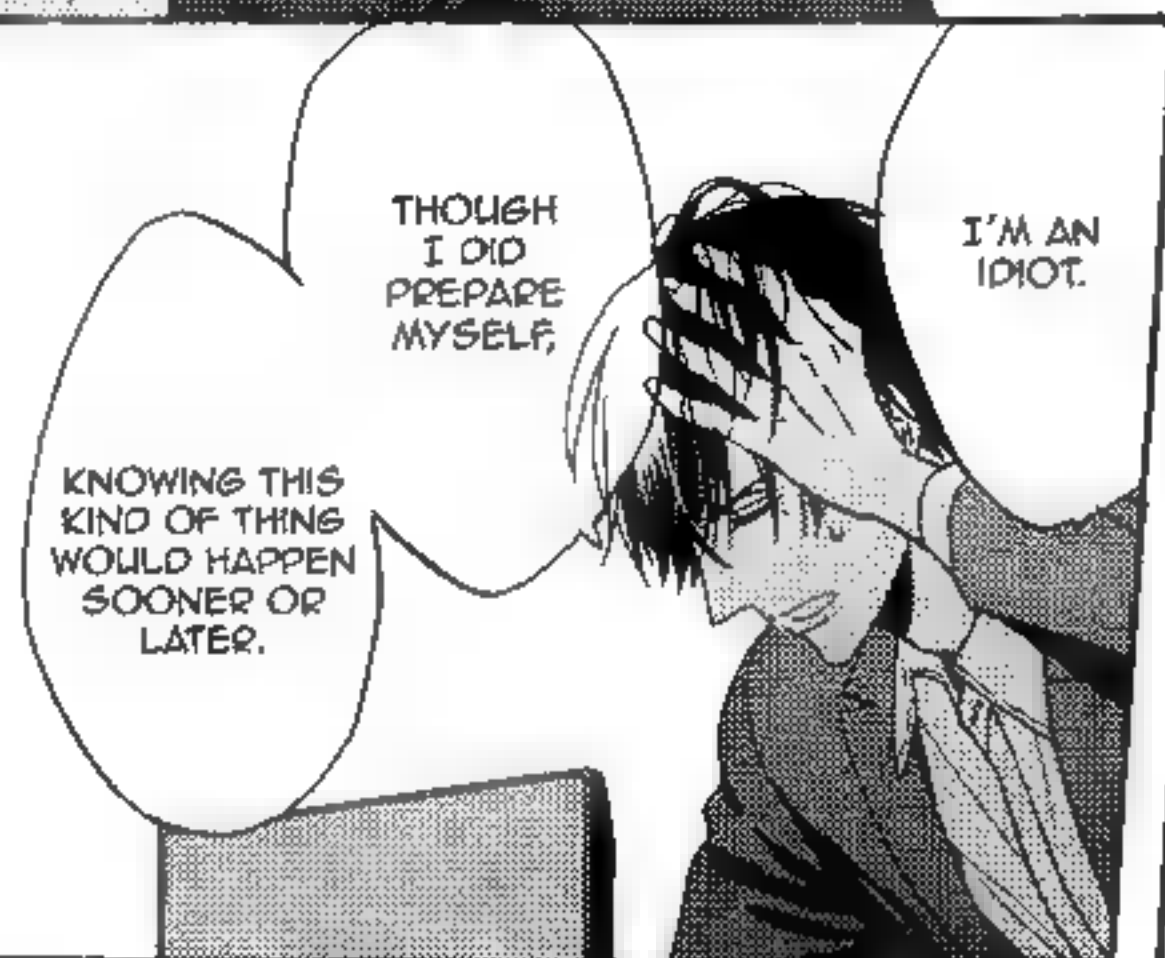
TAKE IT
EASY
NOW.





YOU WON'T BE
ABLE TO USE
THEM WHEN
THE TIME
COMES.

IF BOTH
YOUR BODY
AND MIND
ARE ON
EDGE,



THOUGH
I DID
PREPARE
MYSELF,

I'M AN
IDIOT.

KNOWING THIS
KIND OF THING
WOULD HAPPEN
SOONER OR
LATER.



...



HAA...

...



I FEEL
THE SAME
WAY.

STILL,
I'M MORE
WORRIED
ABOUT THE
WAY IGARASHI
MADE HIS
APPEARANCE
AFTER ALL
THIS TIME.

WHEN HE WAS
STILL IN OUR
CLAN, HE WAS A
COWARD ALWAYS
GETTING COLD
FEET.

HE WAS
ACTING ALL
BRAVE AND
PROVOKING
ME.

WELL...

ALL
RIGHT...
THANK
YOU FOR
THAT.

...IT'S OUR
FAULT THAT
WE LOST
TRACK OF
HIM BACK
THEN.

I'LL TRY
TO FIND OUT
WHAT'S REALLY
HAPPENING.

Shirasu
may know
something.

I ASSUME
THERE'S
SOMEBODY
BACKING
HIM UP.

LEAVING
IGARASHI
ASIDE, YOU
AND THE
YOUNG GUY
SHOULD BE
CAUTIOUS.



I'LL
MAKE
HIM PAY
FOR
THAT.



HEARING YOUR
COMPLIMENTS
MAKES ME
WONDER WHAT
YOU'RE
SCHEMING.

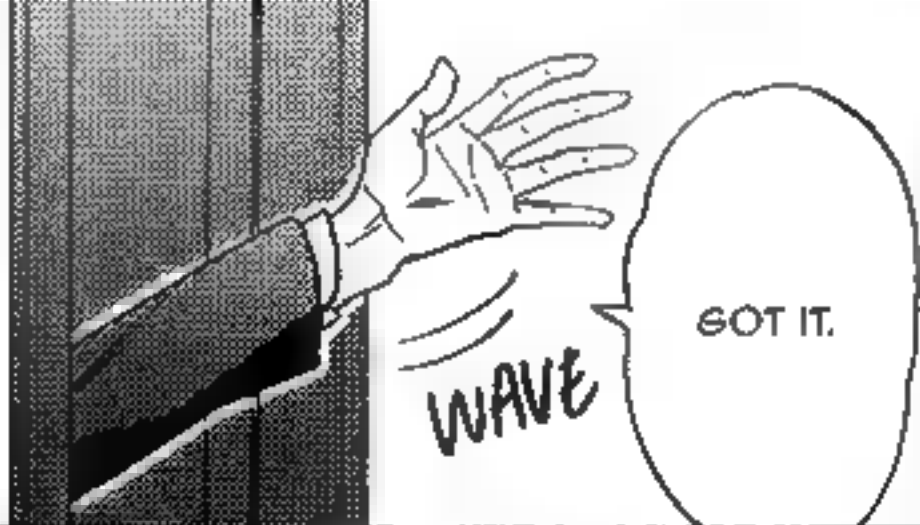
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HOW
RUDE.



AS I
THOUGHT,
YOU'RE
REALLY
COOL,
MORIE-
SAN.







KABUKI-CHO 1ST DISTRICT

EVEN
THOUGH
THERE'RE
MANY
PEOPLE,

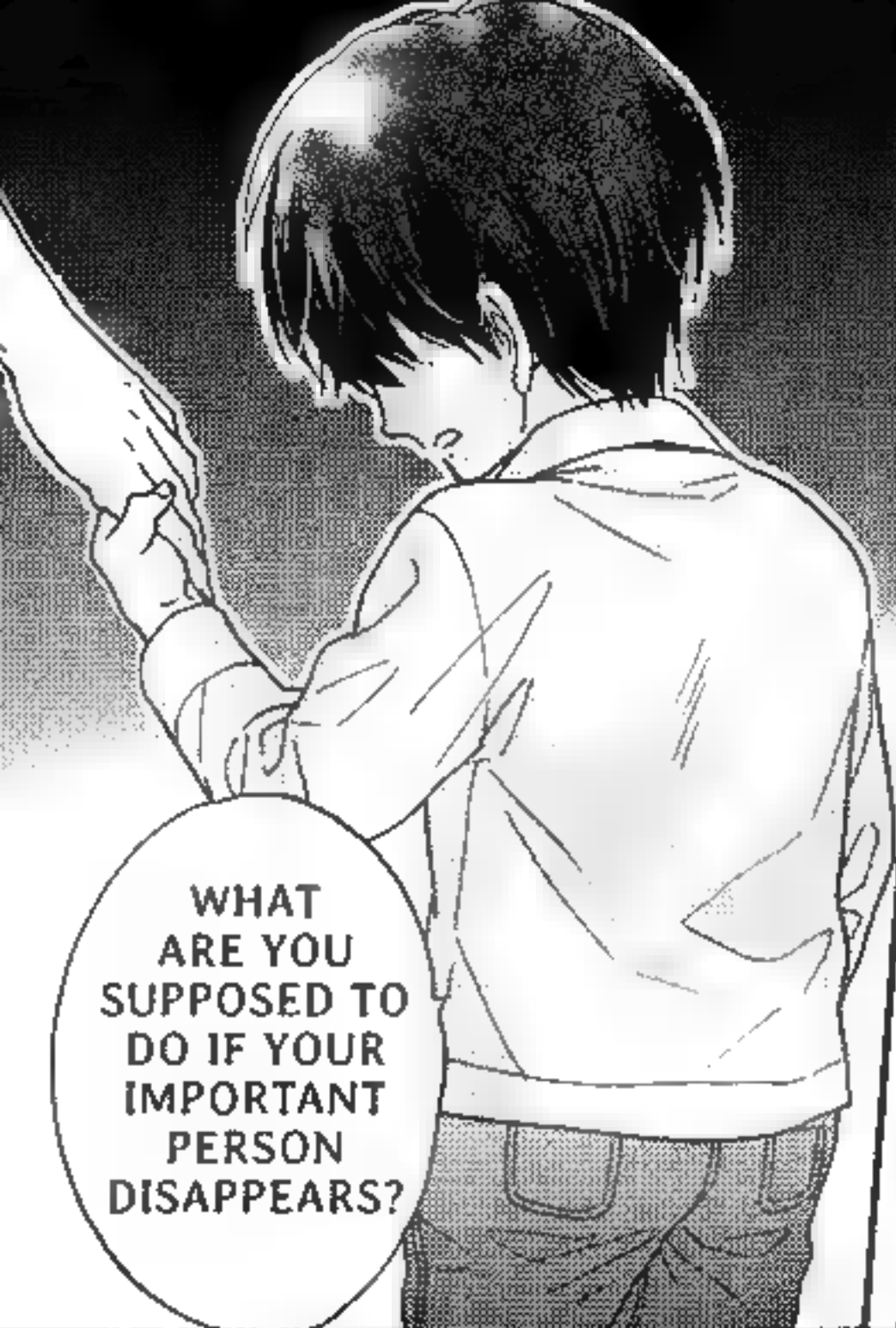
IT'S STILL
EASILY TO
FEEL ALL
ALONE.

THIS TOWN
HASN'T
CHANGED
ONE BIT.







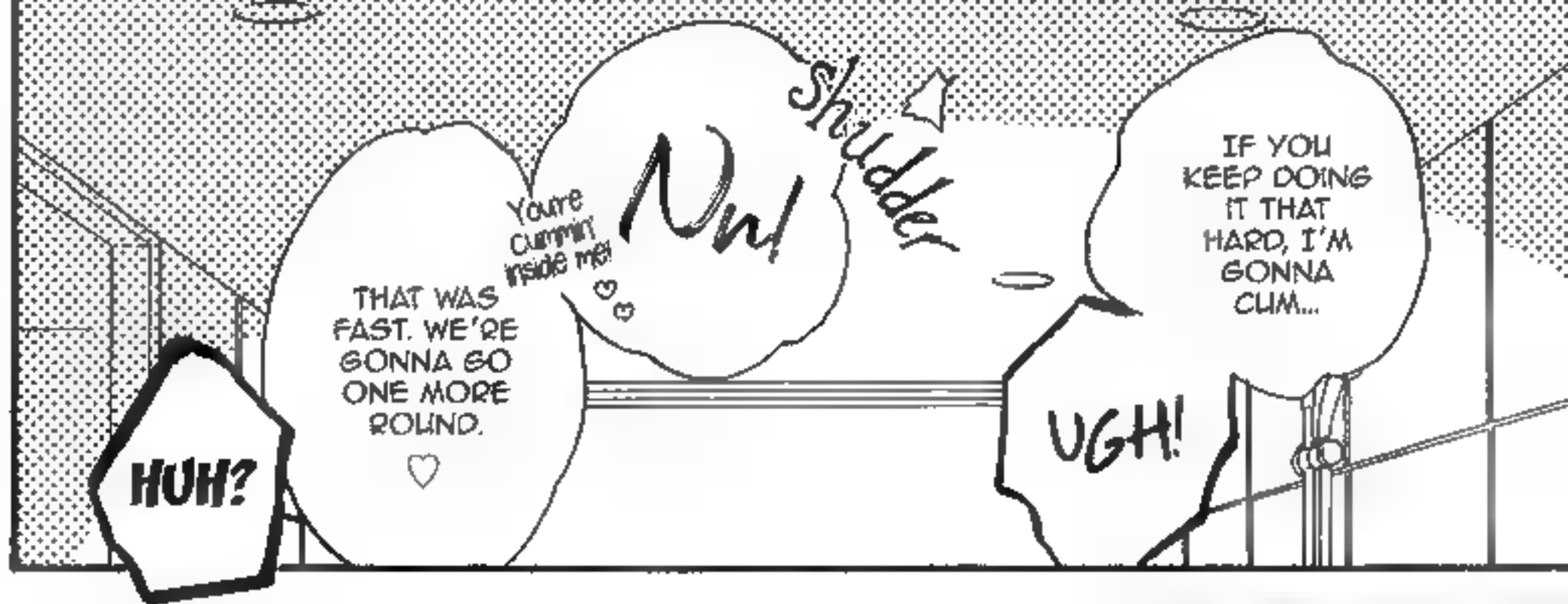















A black and white manga panel showing two young men in a bathhouse. One man with dark hair is leaning over a counter, and another man with light, wavy hair is standing next to him, looking towards the left. The background shows the interior of a bathhouse with a tiled wall and a window.

WHEN I WAS A
KID... MY MOM
PASSED AWAY
AND THEN HE
TOOK ME IN.

I LIVED
WITH HIM
FOR
SEVERAL
YEARS.

WELL, HE
WASN'T
REALLY MY
UNCLE, THAT
WAS A LIE
HE TOLD.

WE'RE
DISTANT
RELATIVES.
MIGHT AS WELL
BE STRANGERS.

HE'D ONLY ACT
ARROGANT WHEN
HE HAD MONEY OR
WHEN HE DEALT
WITH SOMEONE
WEAKER THAN HIM.

...A
COWARDLY
PIECE OF
SHIT.

IGARASHI
WAS...

...


A black and white manga panel showing a crowd of people walking at night. In the foreground, a young man with dark hair and a backpack is walking away from the viewer. Other people are walking in the background, some in uniform. The scene is set on a city street at night.

HE MADE
ME WANDER
AROUND THE
SHOPPING
DISTRICT TO
KILL TIME ALL
NIGHT.

HE OFTEN
BROUGHT
WOMEN TO
OUR CHEAP
APARTMENT.

THOUGH
HE WAS MY
GUARDIAN,
HE WAS
TRASH.

HE
CHASED
ME OUT
WHENEVER
HE SLEPT
WITH
THEM.



I FELT A BIT
ENVIIOUS
OF THEM...



AS A
SMALL KID,
I STILL
FOUND IT
STRANGE.

THERE WERE
SO MANY
PEOPLE BUT
NO ONE PAID
ATTENTION TO
A KID LIKE ME.

Though I was
glad they left
me alone.



YEAH...
BUT,



SINCE
THEY
HAVE A
PLACE TO
RETURN
TO.



...WHEN I SAW
THOSE GUYS
HEADING
TOWARDS THE
STATION AFTER
MIDNIGHT,



I BET HE
FELT LIKE HE
JUST GOT
HIMSELF A
MONEY
TREE.

HE
STOLE
EVERY
SINGLE
PENNY I
EARNED.



WHEN I
STARTED
WORKING AS
A SWINDLER,

IGARASHI
REVEALED
HIS TRUE
GREED, AS
EXPECTED.

Even
though
that was
my money
to begin
with.

SO I TOOK
\$27,600 WHICH
HE WAS SUPPOSED
TO USE TO PAY THE
RYUUSEI CLAN WITH
AND RAN AWAY.



I COULDN'T
TAKE IT
ANYMORE
AND GOT
REALLY
PISSED.



AND
THEN?

gulp

...

THAT WAS
THE LAST
TIME I SAW
OR HEARD
FROM HIM.



I DIDN'T KNOW
WHETHER HE
WAS ALIVE OR
DEAD.


AFTER
THAT, THE
RYUUSEI
CLAN
CAUGHT UP
WITH HIM.



SO HE WENT AND
BORROWED MONEY
FROM ANYONE TILL
HE COULDN'T PAY
THEM BACK AND
THEN GOT THROWN
INTO A LABOR
CAMP.

HE RAN AWAY
AND NOBODY
COULD FIND HIM
AFTER THAT.





I'VE
NEVER ONCE
SYMPATHIZED
WITH OTHERS.

BUT NOW, I
REALLY HATE
MYSELF FOR
NOT BEING
ABLE TO DO
THAT.




HAHAH.

YOU
IDIOT.



THEN I
COULD
NEVER TELL
YOU THIS.

IF
YOU WERE
THE TYPE
WHO'D FEEL
SORRY AND
CRY FOR ME,



YOU'RE GOOD
ENOUGH JUST
THE WAY YOU
ARE NOW.

WACHI-

badump





Just which
part of me
are you
talking
to?

No way!
I know you
can do it if
you put your
mind to it.

I can't do it
anymore.

THE
THOUGHT
OF LOSING
WACHI
TERRIFIES
ME.

IT SCARES
THE LIVING
SHIT OUT
OF ME.



AND THAT
BECOMES A
WEAKNESS.

WHETHER IT'S
THINGS OR
PEOPLE, IF YOU
ARE ATTACHED
TO IT, IT WILL
CERTAINLY OPEN
UP A SPACE IN
YOUR HEART,

EVEN SO,
I'M STILL-

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